



# THE Suburban

## JUNE MEETING Monday June 11

Doors open at 6 pm  
Meeting at 6:30 pm

Suburban Park  
Elementary

Meeting Program:  
Sid Bass  
Home Security

Door Prizes!  
50 / 50 Raffle!

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## Around the Neighborhood

By Steve Collins

Summer is an encouraging time of year with long sunny days that bring reminders of our shared responsibility for our community. Memorial Day highlights shared sacrifice of those that have died defending or supporting our privilege of freedom. Independence Day provides a marker of the shared vision and risk associated with community as our founders framed the structure of our government.

WE SHOULD NOT FORGET the investment made by our founders in reputation, treasure, and blood as the declaration was disseminated on July 4<sup>th</sup> and collectively signed on August 2<sup>nd</sup>. These patriots were first *outlaws* of the British Commonwealth (the most powerful force in the world) before they were founders of the struggling experiment called the *United States*.

This concept that "people could govern themselves" (or community) was risky business and was soon declared rebellion by England, which catapulted our homeland into the Revolutionary War over 200 years ago. The burden carried by our founders should not be discounted. They understood that their proverbial "necks would be in the noose" if their effort failed against the King of England.

Today, our struggle remains a human dilemma. When we enjoy freedom, will we live responsibly, morally, unselfishly, to enjoy "liberty and justice for all"? With our understanding of the investment, the markers of these holidays should bring not only celebration, but a sober reverence and reflection; freedom is fragile and with its responsibility we are *always* only a few decisions away from calamity. We quickly realize that it is "not about me", but about the sacrifices of the *few for the privilege of freedom for many*. As we move our calendars to summer, we must remember that our community requires the same shared responsibility that was modeled by the founding Fathers if we want our children to enjoy the same privilege.

Save the Date: Suburban Acres celebrates Independence Day with an *Annual* Community Parade on 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Each year the event has gained momentum and city-wide recognition for its simplicity and community spirit. As you move through your summer adventure, put July 4<sup>th</sup> (which will be a Wednesday/Midweek Holiday) on your calendar to meet at Suburban Park Elementary for a great celebration of your freedom. See you there!

Steve



Storm Drain Medallions were placed on drains in Suburban Park and Wards Corner in May by (from left) Marsha Lockard, Cecilia Fox, C.J. Lockard, and Sebastian Fox. Story on page 4.



## Suburban Acres Civic League

### Meeting Minutes for May 14, 2012

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#### Pre-Meeting Presentations

Chris Perry of Suburban Asset Management provided updated drawings of the redevelopment of the Suburban Park Shopping Center approved for rezoning by City Council on April 24, 2012.

Patrick Smith of Norfolk Citizens for an Elected School Board spoke about their petition drive for a ballot initiative during the November 2012 election to allow voters to decide whether to have an elected school board in Norfolk. Petitions were available for signature. The group needs about 12,000 valid signatures for the measure to be placed on the ballot.

Marcus Calabrese of the Food Bank spoke about the Bank's need for food to support the children's food programs and their emergency food program. Funding comes from a variety of sources, but local community support is critical to keep up with the demand for their services. Marcus said by far the biggest demand for Food Bank services is in Norfolk.

Meeting called to order at 6:45 pm by President Kevin Janney. Quorum was established with 29 members in attendance and 5 guests.

#### Pledge of Allegiance

April Meeting Minutes Approved.

#### Pace Report—Officer Odel Davis

One incident to report – a larceny on Virginian Drive; two other initial reports were not valid upon investigation. Officer Davis said with school getting out soon, there may be more opportunities for juveniles to cause problems, so be vigilant. The issue of the Sheriff's Work Force doing grounds work on the public property in the neighborhood was brought up as a potential safety issue.

Officer Davis said the trustees in this program are close to being released, have been screened, and have not committed serious crimes. Officer Davis said residents can contact him if they have concerns. Kevin Janney said residents can also contact him as the civic league has regular liaisons in different parts of the Sheriff's Department.

#### Neighborhood Watch—Larry Tice

Larry said there have been a number of car break-ins in all parts of the city, including the Wards Corner area, most often resulting in stolen radios or thefts of electronics. There was an attempted car break-in on Suburban Arch recently. Larry reminded residents to always lock their doors and never leave anything of value visible in the vehicle.

#### Presentation—Skip Stiles of Wetlands Watch.

Mr. Stiles gave a presentation entitled, "Adapting to Sea Level Rise in Virginia." The Hampton Roads area has the highest rate of sea level rise on the Atlantic Coast of the U.S., and the 10<sup>th</sup> highest amount of financial assets at risk in the world, due in large part to the large number of federal lands and military bases in this region. Sea level rise is being caused by a combination of melting of the polar region glaciers and by subsidence of the ground, which is particularly bad in Hampton Roads. Insurance companies are starting to decline writing liability policies for properties within coastal areas. The City of Norfolk is taking proactive steps by studying the issue and working with state and federal agencies to develop flood mitigation strategies.

#### Committee Reports—

**EARNN:** We are at 65 points; the current cycle ends at the end of May. JoDee Cook reported that it may be possible to get 15 more points by then by recounting the storm drain medallions using a youth group. She reminds all residents to put out the blue recycling containers every two weeks since the civic league gets EARNN points based on the neighborhood's recycling rate.

**Meetings and Events:** The civic league is looking for someone to handle the logistics for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade. Next meeting will be on home security. Pearl Windle offered to bring the refreshments. Karen Mayne reminded folks that she will bring the coffee, water, cups, plates, table clothes, etc. to each meeting; therefore volunteers for refreshments only need to bring the food.

**Membership:** Two new members signed up at the meeting; one mailed in dues.

#### Treasurer's Report—Marsha Lockard

No report was available but Marsha said there were no major expenses in the past month other than the newsletter printing.

#### Old Business—

With no nominations put forth from the floor, a vote was held electing board of directors appointee Dr. Chris Claggett to the seat vacated by Kevin Janney when Kevin became President.

#### New Business—

Kevin Janney presented a proposal by the City of Norfolk's Division of Transportation to change the traffic control at the intersection of Yorktown Drive and Virginian Drive. The proposal would remove the stop sign on Yorktown and place it on Virginian Drive due to a visibility issue at 7500

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### May 14, 2012 Meeting Minutes (continued)

Yorktown Drive. Several league members spoke in opposition to the city's proposal, citing Virginian Drive as the through street that should have the right-of-way. Kevin will draft a response to the city opposing the proposed change.

### Announcements—

- Flora has returned from her winter vacation and will grace the Beshore's home at 7306 Woodfin Drive.
- Next SACL meeting will be held at Suburban Park Elementary School on June 11, 2012. The speaker will be Mr. Bass of Vector Security, who will speak about home security.
- 50/50 Raffle: Pearl Windle won

**Meeting Adjourned** at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Mayne (filling in for Secretary Diane Ruhl)

*PRESIDENT'S NOTES...Thanks, Karen! for filling in with the meeting minutes in Diane's absence. Since the meeting Ray & Carolyn Kubik and Bill Twiford have volunteered to assist with logistics for the 4th of July parade and picnic.*

### Wetlands loss, economic cost of sea level rise topic of May civic league meeting

By Kevin Janney

Skip Stiles, the executive director of Wetlands Watch delivered a program on sea level rise at the May 2012 Suburban Acres Civic League meeting. Wetlands Watch is a statewide organization that advocates for the preservation of wetlands.

According to Stiles sea level has naturally fluctuated over thousands of years. The continental shelf in the Atlantic was at one time the coast line of the eastern United States, when North American glaciers were at their peak size. Glacial melting contributed to the sea level rise that puts the coast at its present location. At the time of maximum melting, sea level was actually fifteen feet higher than it is today.

The "Suffolk Scarp" is the geologic demarcation of the relatively flat Tidewater area, and the beginning of gradual elevation inland. There are 1.6 million people and the tenth most valuable set of property assets in the world east of the scarp, all of which are impacted by sea level rise.

The Sewells Point tide gauge indicates about one and a half feet of gradual sea level rise since 1927. About half of that rise is due to increased sea level; the other half is attributed to the 'sinking' of land in Tidewater, some of which is attributed to our lowering of the natural underground water table by more than 40 feet from increased consumption due to development and increased population.

Geologists anticipate another three feet of sea level rise over the next 100 years. While the New Orleans area has the most population of areas vulnerable to sea level rise, the Norfolk area is experiencing the fastest rate of sea level rise on the east and gulf coasts. According to Stiles with just two feet of sea level rise over the next 100 years, up to 80% of current wetlands will be lost due to flooding.

Even without direct inundation of property due to sea level rise Stiles says beneficial use of property is diminished due to tidal, seasonal, and storm flooding, as evidenced by chronic flooding in parts of Norfolk during heavy rains and high tide. There is significant economic cost to restoring property after flooding, and loss of use of streets and parking areas.

Stiles says planning for ongoing sea level rise is an issue for coastal communities since the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has programs to pay for elevating housing in flood prone areas, but raising the level of streets, drains, and utilities is the responsibility of local government.

The challenge is maintaining streets and infrastructure for high value properties that generate significant economic benefit

without financially handicapping all tax payers. Stiles says, "In our region 40% of the economy is directly dependent on the military payroll," and cites preserving transportation and utility systems for the ports and military as an example of protecting high value coastal properties that benefit the economy.

Rising sea level already impacts property owners in insurance cost and availability. Allstate will not write homeowner policies in large parts of eastern Virginia, State Farm will not write new policies within one mile of the coast, and other carriers have similar new underwriting restrictions, according to Stiles.

Coastal communities are beginning to address the issue: Norfolk is beginning to plan for sea level rise, and is seeking Federal assistance with the cost of coastal and flooding studies. FEMA is updating storm surge maps this year. The Army Corps of Engineers requires sea level rise to be incorporated in designs of all new Federal buildings.

Stiles says it's important to invest in planning and to keep new development in flood plains to a minimum. According to Stiles Norfolk is not receiving much help from the state. But this year Sen. Ralph Northam (D, Norfolk) successfully championed a bill that makes living shorelines the preferred option for erosion control, and tasks the Virginia Institute of Marine Science with developing coastal management strategies that coastal municipalities must incorporate into their long range planning beginning in 2013.

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Skip Stiles, Executive Director of Wetlands Watch

### End of School Year...End of Box Top Season

You may have noticed you don't get the "clip rewards total" section on the bottom of your Farm Fresh receipt anymore...it's the end of the school year, and end of the season for Farm Fresh receipts, Box Tops, and Campbell's Soup Labels...**Please bring your rewards clippings to the June 11th meeting to help Suburban Park Elementary!**



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**EARNN Update**  
by JoDee Cook

### Neighborhood close to point target for EARNN

We're that close! Suburban Acres' EARNN (Environmental Awards for Recycling in Norfolk Neighborhoods) Coordinator JoDee Cook reports the neighborhood has 85 points in the program as this cycle, which parallels the city's fiscal year, draws to a close on May 31<sup>st</sup>. Neighborhoods who earn 100 points in the program receive a \$750 cash rebate from the city for their civic league.

Cook says the final points to be added will be points earned on the basis of the neighborhood's recycling rate—which the city calculates by spot checks of blue recycling bins put out on the curb on recycling day; recycling points should put the neighborhood over the top.

SACL had 70 points going into Saturday May 26<sup>th</sup> when a neighborhood group installed pollution-reminding medallions on 20 storm drains in the Suburban Park and Wards Corner/ Cromwell Parkway portion of the neighborhood. The medallion installation is worth 15 points in the EARNN rebate program, including 10 bonus points for youth involvement (three



20 of these blue crab-themed awareness medallions were installed on neighborhood storm drains by volunteers in May.

youngsters helped with the medallion installation).

The Storm Drain Medallion mini-grant program is a joint effort by Norfolk and askHRGreen.org, an environmental stewardship awareness program of the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission. The round blue discs, or medallions, that are attached to the tops of storm drains by civic groups are designed to remind and educate other citizens about the importance of preventing pollution from entering our sensitive waterways, and above all, that storm drains are NOT to be used for dumping.

According to HR Green It is important to keep pollutants out of our storm drains because water that flows into storm drains goes directly into our local streams, bay and ocean. When it rains water flows over parking lots, sidewalks and streets; the water picks up dirt, trash, oil, grease, fertilizers, and other pollutants and then carries everything into the storm drain. Stormwater runoff can affect drinking water supplies, recreation, fisheries and wildlife. The Suburban Acres area is a direct tributary to the headwaters of the Lafayette River.

The group on Saturday morning May 26<sup>th</sup> consisted of three adults and three youngsters, who applied the medallions to drain covers specified by Norfolk's Stormwater Division on Cromwell Parkway and Thole, Fife, Forsythe, Granby and Midfield Streets. The neighborhood now has forty (40) of its storm drains marked with the medallions.

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### Newspaper's Best of Hampton Roads Awards

Each spring the Virginian Pilot conducts its annual "Best of" contest in each city in South Hampton Roads, awarding gold, silver, and bronze awards across a host of business categories. The winners are based on votes from customers and Pilot readers.

At right is the list of neighborhood/Wards Corner businesses and The Suburban advertisers who won in this year's contest.

Currently, "Best of the Best" voting is open at HamptonRoads.com. The Best of the Best contest selects the regional, Hampton-Roads-wide winners from among the individual city winners.

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Staff members at Wards Corner Chiropractic celebrate the office's 25th anniversary at Wards Corner, and most recent Virginian Pilot "Best of" award in May.

### Mason Creek Culvert Project Completed

A project designed to replace the concrete culvert in Mason Creek has been completed on schedule. Located on Granby Street, between Bayview Boulevard and Forest Lawn Cemetery, the project required the installation of 16 new spans as part of the replacement of the existing box culvert. In order to install the spans, crews drove pilings 70 feet beneath the ground surface and then topped the pilings with a pile cap.

In addition to the span installation, Department of Public Works crews coordinated a host of several other improvements, including the relocation of a sanitary sewer line, water line, gas line and telecommunication lines.

As a result of the project, both the northbound and southbound lanes of Granby Street have been resurfaced. In addition to meeting the proposed completion date, all project components were completed under the cost of the proposed budget.

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#### Eggleston Garden Center

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Garden Center/Nursery category, SILVER

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VANDALISM	300 BLOCK THOLE ST	THU	05/03/2012 10:31	120503000084
SHOPLIFTING AND CONCEALMENT	7500 BLOCK VIRGINIAN DR	THUR	05/03/2012 19:20	120503000091
BURGLARY-RESIDENCE	7400 BLOCK YORKTOWN DR	MON	05/14/2012 16:41	120521000079
VANDALISM	400 BLOCK VIRGINIAN DR	SUN	05/20/2012 15:00	120521000016
NARCOTICS VIOLATIONS	100 BLOCK GRANBY PARK	MON	05/21/2012 03:40	120521000008
BURGLARY-NONRESIDENCE	300 BLOCK THOLE ST	FRI	05/25/2012 18:02	120525000103
NARCOTICS VIOLATIONS	7500 BLOCK GRANBY ST	TUE	05/29/2012 04:15	120529133301
LARCENY-FROM AUTO	7300 BLOCK WEST KENMORE DR	WED	05/30/2012 18:00	120531000067

### Neighborhood Watch Update

By Larry Tice

Just a reminder: buy a shredder. They are relatively inexpensive. Shred your bank statements after you are through with them. Tax returns can be shredded after five years. Receipts with your signature, used checkbooks, anything with account numbers or personal information should be shredded before being thrown away. Use a cross-cut shredder for the most effective results. Don't become a victim of Identity Fraud!



### 2<sup>nd</sup> election in two months at Suburban Park Elementary June 12th

Republicans will hold a primary on June 12 to select their party's candidate to replace Senator Jim Web (D-Falls Church ), who is not running for reelection. In Virginia's open primary system, all voters may vote in primaries, regardless of party affiliation.

The contest on Tuesday June 12 will be run like other statewide elections, at normal polling locations. Suburban Park Elementary School is the voting location for Precinct 215 which includes the Suburban Acres, Bolling Brook, and Cromwell Farms neighborhoods and the Southeast portion of Wards Corner. Polls will be open from 6 am to 7 pm.

The candidates are former governor George Allen, Chesterfield County consultant and Tea Party leader Jamie Radtke, Prince William Delegate Bob Marshall, and Chesapeake minister and Tea Party activist Earl Jackson.

Radtke, Jackson, and Marshall are viewed as ultra-conservative candidates running far to the right of Allen, who has a substantial fundraising and name recognition advantage.

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☐ George F. Allen

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☐ E. W. Jackson

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## May 2012 Yard of the Month



Flora returns! Back to spend the warmer months of the year in Norfolk, Flora, the Suburban Acres Mermaid, has graced the home of Charles & Johanna Beshore of 7306 Woodfin Ave. as the **May 2012 Suburban Acres Yard of the Month!** The Beshores win a month-long visit by Flora, and the envy of their neighbors. *Congratulations, Beshores! And welcome back, Flora!*

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- Post-parade hot dogs & picnic fare provided by the Tinee Giant family for the second year in a row
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- ♦ Best Kid Parade Unit
- ♦ Greenest Family Parade Entry
- ♦ Best Desert (picnic desert pot luck)

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### Countdown to 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade

O, D, and U--the three men who make up the Ted-Heads will headline the annual Suburban Acres 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade on Wednesday July 4<sup>th</sup>. Flip Aspinwall, Tim Jenkins, and Mike Germann make up the current roster of TedHeads who can be found without fail three rows up and directly behind the scorer's table at the Ted Constant Convocation Center during basketball season; during the football season they call themselves the "ForeHeads" in honor of Foreman Field.

When not screaming their lungs out and roiling up the crowd at ODU games, Aspinwall operates a moving and storage company, Germann works for Verizon, and Jenkins is a real estate agent with Exit Realty.

Norfolk Police, the Norfolk Sheriff's Office, and fire-rescue units from Norfolk and the Navy will also participate. Rip Tide and the Food Bank of Southeastern Virginia will also be in the parade. Virginia Delegate Lynwood Lewis is the parade's first-ever grand marshal.

The hallmark of Suburban Acres' parade is neighborhood participation. The neighborhood usually doesn't disappoint with various family marching units and floats, and bike riders with bicycles decorated with patriotic themes. This year prizes will be awarded for family and youth marching units and floats.



The "TedHeads" will appear in this year's Suburban Acres July 4th Parade.

Photo by Bill Tiernan, The Virginian-Pilot

Lineup begins at 10 am and the parade starts at 10:30. A picnic featuring grilled hotdogs and a desert cook-off follows the parade on the grounds of Suburban Park Elementary.

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## SUBURBAN ACRES GREEN

By Karen Mayne

### June 2012 – Help our Pollinators!

The week of June 18-24, 2012 is National Pollinator Week. The U.S. Senate so designated the last week of June (the first week of summer) to increase public understanding of the importance of pollinators to agriculture and other ecosystem functions.

**What is a pollinator?** Pollinators are animals that help plants reproduce, resulting in fruits, vegetables and seeds. Most people think of honeybees, but many other species of bees and animals such as butterflies, moths, ants, beetles, hummingbirds and some bats are also pollinators. Pollinators visit flowers in search of food (pollen or nectar) and then incidentally transfer the male pollen to the female part of a flower when the pollen sticks to their bodies as they move around the flower, resulting in the formation of a fruit or seed.

#### Why are pollinators important?

Pollinators help pollinate over 75% of flowering plants and nearly 75% of our crops. In the U.S., bees alone undertake the astounding task of pollinating nearly \$20 billion in crop value, particularly for specialty crops such as almonds and other nuts, berries, fruits, and vegetables. The value of pollination services provided by native bees and other animals is even greater, as it is estimated that honeybees (which are not native to North America) only pollinate 15% of the most common food crops worldwide. Do you like your morning coffee, a chocolate bar, or wearing cotton clothing? None of these would be possible without pollinators. Alfalfa, an important food for cattle, is pollinated by bees. And what is really cool about these pollinators is that they do their work for free!

But the vital services that pollinators provide do not come without a responsibility on our part. Natural habitats are being lost as development encroaches on forests and meadows. Most pesticides are “non-selective,” which means they kill good insects along with the bad. In the past decade, a phenomenon known as Colony Collapse Disorder has led to the disappearance or death of whole colonies of domesticated honeybees. Although scientists are still looking for solutions to this devastating problem, it appears that a combination of factors is the cause – pesticides, genetic inbreeding of domesticated honeybees, stress from moving large commercial hives around the country, and pathogens such as bacteria, viruses and mites.

**What can you do to help?** There are lots of things we all can do to make sure pollinators keep up their good work.

- Create a pollinator-friendly yard with flowering plants that supply pollinators with nectar, pollen, and homes. For information on what to plant in our area (using your zip code), download a free regional guide at [www.pollinator.org](http://www.pollinator.org). Any kind of mint is a great plant for attracting insect pollinators.



- Avoid the use of pesticides and accept that a little damage from plant pests is just part of nature. The Beekeepers Guild of Southeast Virginia recommends this organic recipe for use on vegetables, ornamentals, and herbs: Mix 1 tablespoon of mild, non-bacterial dish soap (such as Ivory) with 1 cup cooking oil, such as safflower, soybean, or peanut. Store this concentrated solution for use throughout the gardening season. When needed, mix 4 teaspoons of this concentrate in 2 cups of water and pour into a pump sprayer or spray bottle. Spray plants thoroughly when daytime temperatures are below 85 degrees.
  - If you must use pesticides, read the label before purchasing and avoid ones that say they are highly toxic to bees. Do not apply pesticides to flowering plants. Apply pesticides in the evening when many pollinators are not active.
  - If bee or wasp nests are in locations that interfere with human safety, don't destroy them. Honeybee nests or swarms will be removed by local bee-keepers at the following telephone numbers: 285-4509; 641-5933; 816-2262. For wasps, Bee Busters, owned by George Waldenmaier on the Eastern Shore (757-787-3013; Cell: 757-710-8458), will collect wasps from either ground or hanging nests without the use of pesticides. The wasp venom is extracted by a pharmaceutical lab to make allergy medication for sting victims.
- You can find lots of information on pollinators, beekeeping, and educational programs for kids and adults at the website of the Pollinator Partnership, [www.pollinator.org](http://www.pollinator.org)

Karen can be reached by e-mail at [KarenLMayne@aol.com](mailto:KarenLMayne@aol.com) or by phone at 587-1287

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## Announcements

Send your announcement to:  
[suburbanacres@gmail.com](mailto:suburbanacres@gmail.com)

*If you're not currently receiving updates via email from SACL send us a brief email to let us know you'd like to be added to our distribution list! Birthdays? Anniversaries? Lost & found? Let us know!*

**Lost female black lab hound mix**, last seen Memorial weekend, ran from home on Virginian Street. Name is Daisy, is micro-chipped but was not wearing a collar. Very missed! Please contact even to report possible sightings. Luva-Lab57@cox.net

**Suburban Park Elementary School** (where the civic league meets) needs help in tidying up the flower beds in front of the school before a series of public events that start on June 6<sup>th</sup>. If you can help with weeding the beds, stop by the school for an hour or so anytime during or after school hours or on the weekends. During school hours, the folks in the front office will provide tools and trash bags. Please bring your own garden tools and trash bags on weekends. You can dispose of the bags in the school's trash cans.

June 23rd at 12 pm is the annual **Relay For Life at Harbor Park**. The Norfolk Sheriff's Office and its many generous supporters have worked hard to meet our fundraising goal and we're going to make it! We're pushing hard to the end with T-shirt sales and we'll be selling food at the event. Come join the fun and take a lap or two for a cancer survivor or loved one/friend/neighbor who has passed. We hope to see you there!

Primeplus Norfolk Senior Center Offers **"Best Foot Forward" Program** to help seniors maintain healthy nails and feet each Friday afternoon with services including manicures, pedicures, soaks and trims, and diabetic foot treatment massages by licensed staff. Fees range from \$9 for the massage to \$22 for a pedicure. Services are available between 1 and 4:30 p.m. each Friday. Appointments should be made by calling the Center at 625-5857. 7300 Newport Ave. in the Norfolk Fitness and Wellness Center.



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 Claudette Dalmida  
 (757)531-3118 or  
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June 19th—June 21'st

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☐ Individual \$ 5.00      ☐ Family \$ 10.00

Name (Please print. For Family Membership, list head of household and all eligible voting members)

Street Address

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Phone

Please make check payable to **Suburban Acres Civic League**. Bring to the next meeting  
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7311 Woodfin Ave. Norfolk, VA 23505. **And thank you for your support!**

## Neighborhood Calendar

### Calendar Notes...



**Street Sweeping**  
Friday June 1 &  
July 6



**Recycling Pick Up** (Blue Bins)  
June 7 & 21; July 5  
& 19

**June 8-11 Opsail 2012 & Harborfest**, downtown waterfront Fri. & Sat. 10 am-midnight, Sun. & Mon. 10 am-8 pm. Fireworks Sat. @ 9:30 pm. Info at [www.opsail2012virginia.com](http://www.opsail2012virginia.com).

**June 11 Suburban Acres Civic League Meeting**...doors open at 6 pm, meeting at 6:30, Suburban Park Elementary School

**June 12 Vote-Republican Senate Primary** (open to all voters) polls open 6 am-7 pm.

**June 14 Greater Wards Corner Task Force**, 8:30 am, Norfolk Fitness & Wellness Center, speaker Superward 7 Councilperson Angelia Williams (*last meeting before Summer break*)

**June 14 Norfolk Federation of Civic Leagues**, 7 pm, Lake Taylor Hospital Cafeteria, 1309 Kempsville Road (*last meeting before Summer break*)

**June 4-22 Senior ArtFest 2012**, Norfolk PrimePlus Senior Center, 7300 Newport Ave. info at 625-5857.

**June 21-24 Bayou Boogaloo & Cajun Food Festival**, Waterside [www.festevents.org](http://www.festevents.org) for info.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3	4	5 2 pm Council Work Session	6	7	1 1	2
10	11 <b>SACL Meeting 6:30 p.m.</b>	12 <b>Republican Primary</b> 5 pm Council Informal Session 7 pm Council Formal Session	13	14 Flag Day 8:30 am Greater Wards Corner Task Force 7:00 pm Norfolk Federation-Civic Leagues	15	16
17 Father's Day	18	29	20 Summer	21 21	22	23
24	25	26 5 pm Council Informal Session 7 pm Council Formal Session	27	28	29	30

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### Community Resources and Contacts

Norfolk Commissioner of the Revenue  
664-7860  
Norfolk Treasurer  
664-7800  
Animal Control, Lost & Found Animals  
441-5505

#### Norfolk Public Works

Accessibility issues, potholes, streetlights in need of repair, curbs and sidewalks  
823-4050

#### E-waste recycling (common household electronics)

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Virginia Office of Consumer Affairs (investigation of consumer complaints)  
1-800-552-9963

Five Points Community Farm Market, 2500 Church Street  
640-0300  
Norfolk Public Libraries  
664-7328  
Norfolk Neighborhood Design & Resource Center  
664-6770  
PRIME PLUS Norfolk Senior Center, 7300 Newport Ave  
625-5857

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664-6700  
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823-1000  
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